



Virginia Indian Advisory Board

Board Meeting

Monday, June 20, 2022

10:00am – 11:00 am

Mechanicsville Branch Library
7461 Sherwood Crossing Place
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

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Minutes

This meeting of the Virginia Indian Advisory Board was held in a hybrid format, with some guests joining via WebEx. A quorum of the Commission attended in person.

Board members attending in person:

Brandon Custalow, Chair

Cami Adkins

Young Brinson

Gregg Kimball

Julie Langan

Dr. Ashley Spivey

Absence excused:

Rosa Atkins

Welcome

VIAB Chair, Brandon Custalow, called the meeting to order and welcomed Board members and guests. Suzanne Holland (virtual) and Erik Conyers (in person) represented the Secretary of the Commonwealth. It was confirmed that Rosa Atkins will no longer serve as a member of the Commission due to her recent appointment as interim chief diversity officer in the Youngkin administration. It was confirmed that ex-officio members Gregg Kimball and Julie Langan have voting rights and contribute to a quorum. Buck Woodward, chair of the State Recognition Workgroup, participated virtually.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda



Chair Custalow asked if anyone had questions about the minutes of the March meeting. Hearing none, he invited their approval. Cami Adkins moved that the minutes be approved as presented; Ashley Atkins-Spivey seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously. Chair Custalow asked if anyone had changes to the proposed agenda. Julie Langan moved approval of the agenda; the motion was seconded by Gregg Kimball and approved unanimously.

New Business:

Chair Custalow invited discussion of David Cornsilk's replacement on the State Recognition Workgroup. It was quickly agreed that Jean Kelley should be contacted and invited to join the workgroup as its genealogist since she had been previously highly recommended. Motions?

Discussion: Correspondence with Tammy Tyree:

The Commission unanimously agreed that it was appropriate to share the materials provided by Tammy Tyree, both public and confidential, to the State Recognition Workgroup for analysis. It was further agreed that Chair Custalow would contact Ms. Price to determine if anything in the confidential document needed to be redacted. This proposal was put in the form of a motion by Gregg Kimball and seconded by Julie Langan. The public version was shared with representatives of the Wolf Creek Cherokee Tribe.

Public Comment:

Public comment was offered at approximately 10:30 a.m.; virtual guests were given the opportunity to unmute their microphones and address the Board. Guests attending in person were then offered the same opportunity.

- Chief Terry Price, Wolf Creek Tribe, spoke in reference to the materials provided by Tammy Tyree which he did not think relevant to the tribe's petition.
- Annette Price, Wolf Creek Tribe, expressed concern at the length of time it might take to review additional materials.

Closing Remarks:

Ashley Spivey strongly suggested that a representative of the State Recognition Work Group present updates on the progress of their work at subsequent meetings of the Board. The Commission agreed that this would be desirable.

The Commission discussed setting meeting at regular intervals to assist with scheduling and attainment of a quorum. It was agreed that when possible, the Commission will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Mechanicsville Branch Library. Cami Adkins volunteered to reserve the room for the next meeting on July 19, 2022.

Adjournment:

Chair Custalow adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:45 a.m.